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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby submit the following documents to be filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office:

Amendment and Response to the Office Action, mailed August 17, 2005;

and

Return receipt postcard.

Please date stamp and return the enclosed postcard evidencing receipt of these materials.

Applicants believe that no fees are due in association with the filing of this Response. However, should the Commissioner deem that any additional fees are due, including any fees for extensions of time, the Commissioner is authorized to debit the Deposit Account of Halliburton Energy Services, Inc., No. 08-0300, for any underpayment of fees that may be due in association with this filing.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111 TO OFFICE ACTION, MAILED August 17, 2005

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 17, 2005, Applicants submit this timely response and respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's objections and rejections.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.
 - Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.